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Ms. Julie Fisher, Director Department of Heritage and Arts 300 S. Rio Grande St. Salt Lake City, Utah 84101

Dear Ms. Fisher:

Thank you for providing feedback to us during our recent outreach efforts. The input we received from you and others will help us improve our program and be more responsive to the needs of the citizens of Utah. This letter is intended as a response and to let you know that the Division and OSM have considered your comments while we are developing our action plans for the upcoming evaluation year.

You point out the productive working relationship the Division of State History has with DOGM's Coal Regulatory Program (CRP), the Abandon Mines Reclamation Program (AMRP), and the Minerals Regulatory Program (MRP). You specifically mention the success of the Programmatic Agreements that have been developed with the CRP and AMRP. We expect to continue that effort and thank you for your help and the help of your staff (especially Lori Hunsaker) in this regard.

Lastly, you indicate that the MRP would also benefit from entering into Programmatic Agreements. While this is beyond the scope of our Coal Program Outreach, we will pass this comment on to Paul Baker and the MRP staff to follow-up on.

We hope this information is helpful to you. We appreciate your willingness to provide input to our Evaluation Process.

Sincerely,

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